

ON LUCK

Of course at times you hold better cards than at others, but the consensus of opinion is that playing cards all the year round you receive a fair average of good and poor hands. The so-called lucky ones are really those who, being students of the game, make the most of the profitable hands and are able to minimize their losses on the poor ones.

Many players feel that if they don't make the most of good hands luck deserts them. What really happens is that by not combining on the best Suit or by taking three tricks where four were possible, two deals are used up in making game where two games might have been scored. While the better players would have used their two game going hands in making two games and rubber. Partners are rarely dealt four game going hands in one rubber. You must make the most of the good hands dealt you. By so doing you will have "better luck."

The best of luck is to be cut with a sympathetic partner who knows the game and knows your ways of playing it.

ON BEING SET

It does not always pay to be set. On the first game, in order to prevent the adversaries from going game, it is a fair gamble to take a two trick loss and on the final game, in order to prevent the adversaries from winning the rubber, to take a loss of 300. But, question yourself as to whether the adversaries will go game.

I firmly believe it is better policy to make game than